

PROJECT STATUS REPORT						REPORTING PERIOD	
NOTE: See instructions on reverse side.						January 1956	
2. CRYPTONYM		3. DIVISION OR BRANCH		4. COUNTRY		5. APPROVAL	BY
A. PROJECT GRCOOND	B. SUB-PROJECT	EE/A	TARGET Austria	BASE Austria	ORIGINAL	DD/P	DATE 7 Aug 53
				LAST RENEWAL			
		ROOM NO. 2311 K	EXTENSION 4128	SIGNATURE OF CASE OFFICER			
7. TYPE OF PROJECT		PP	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM	FI			
8. PERSONNEL		AUTHORIZED	ASSIGNED	9. FUNDS FOR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR			
STAFF AGENT	T/O	None	None	A. CURRENT PROJ. CEIL.	B. CUM. ALLOTMENT	C. EST. CUM. OBLIGATIONS	
CONTRACT	AGENTS	None	None	, 95,100	, 40,000	, 12,421.89	
<p>10. <u>a. Action Reported by Field</u></p> <p>(1) <u>Evasion and Escape</u></p> <p>GRLAUNCH 1 and 2 conducted a reconnaissance of two E & E routes; namely, a northern route from Vienna to Switzerland passing through part of southern Germany, and a southern route from Hungary to Land Tirol (western Austria) passing through part of southern Italy. GRLAUNCH 1 is preparing a report of this reconnaissance. (See Headquarters comments below.)</p> <p>(2) <u>Guerrilla Warfare</u></p> <p>GRLAUNCH 1 desires to renew contact with group leaders of his resistance groups (21) during the summer of 1956.</p> <p>(3) <u>Training</u></p> <p>Plans have been made for GRLAUNCH 2 and A/9 to take refresher W/T training about 15 March 1956. GRLAUNCH 3 will also take refresher training at a later date.</p> <p>Initial agreement between the Field and Headquarters has been reached on plans for GRDAGGER training for 1956. For Unconventional Warfare assets, training probably will be conducted in a safehouse and will emphasize classroom instruction in clandestine subjects. Military type subjects (weapons, demolitions, etc.) will not be taught. Training will be limited to refresher training for assets, nine in number, previously trained by KUBARK. Within this framework firm plans will be made as soon as possible to eliminate last minute problems. The three trained GRDAGGER W/T operators will receive refresher training during 1956. (See GRDAGGER Monthly Status Report.)</p> <p><u>Action Reported by Headquarters</u></p> <p>(1) <u>Evasion and Escape</u></p> <p>Headquarters directed the Field to limit GRLAUNCH activity to the minimum necessary to keep alive the wartime potential of the organization. Since inactivity seems to disaffect the principal agent, Headquarters agreed to</p>							
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the E & E reconnaissance outlined in a (1) above as a harmless and possibly useful way to keep the principal agent occupied. No recruitments will be permitted, and the E & E reconnaissance will be limited to gathering support data such as spotting assets, routes, landing and drop zones, etc. No actual E & E organization is expected or desired. The proposal of GRLAUNCH 1 to renew contact with his guerrilla leaders does not meet with Headquarters approval because of a long and dangerous history of security weakness.

The Field has been granted permission to continue active but cautious expansion of the E & E line from Vienna to the Swiss border. One case officer operating from Munich will be responsible for the development of the entire line. In addition to the existing line covered by projects GRBLAMED, GRREPAIR and GREATIK, the sector extending from Vienna to the eastern end of the GRREPAIR line (about 70 miles) will be developed. There has been no activity in this sector during the past two years. The above E & E program will constitute the major effort made by Austria in the paramilitary field for 1956.

b. Pending Action

Rewrite the GROCOND project outline based on the information above.

d. Security Factors

Dr. Eduard WANER, a former GRLAUNCH agent who was dropped in September 1954 because of suspected activity with the RIS, has made overtures to get in touch with ZIPPER. Information concerning WANER has been called to the attention of the ZIPPER desk. The activity of Waner will be monitored as closely as possible because of the security threat WANER poses to GRLAUNCH 1 and the GRLAUNCH organization.

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